

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING MR. IRA LEE SULLIVAN FOR DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable veteran, Mr. Ira Lee Sullivan. Mr. Sullivan was born on May 22, 1918 in Webster County, Mississippi. His life was transcended on November 7, 2011. He was married to Jo Ella Campbell-Sullivan for 63 years until she preceded him in death in 2009.

Mr. Sullivan is a remarkable veteran for a number of reasons. His tour of duty was filled with heroic actions, life threatening calls to duty, and celebration. He volunteered for the U.S. Navy on July 6, 1938 out of Grenada, Mississippi and spent most of his tour of duty in the Pacific. He was aboard the USS *Enterprise* on December 7, 1941 in Honolulu during the bombing of Pearl Harbor. He was a member of the USS *Enterprise* (CV-6) aircraft carrier which became one of the most decorated U.S. Naval vessels of World War II. Mr. Sullivan was aboard the destroyer USS *Morrison* that was sunk on May 4, 1945 during the Battle of Okinawa. While aboard, more than twenty-five Japanese Kamikaze planes air raided the vessel killing 152 of the 331 aboard. Mr. Sullivan's parents were notified by the Navy that he was aboard the vessel when it sank and was therefore missing in action and presumed dead. Yet despite all the odds, a few weeks later he returned home to the astonishment of his family. He was honorably discharged on November 30, 1945, with numerous awards and citations that included the Presidential Unit Citation Award and the Purple Heart.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Ira Lee Sullivan, a decorated World War II veteran and an unforgotten hero for his dedication and service to this country and the pride of this family.

FRED ANDERSON TRIBUTE

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

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Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Colorado State Senator Fred Anderson. A Loveland native and former Senate President, Mr. Anderson recently passed away at the age of 83.

Senator Anderson is remembered by his colleagues for his decency, statesmanship, and expertise on water issues. He was first elected in 1966, at the age of 38. For eight of his sixteen years in office, he also served as Senate President. Among his signature achievements were helping to integrate Colo-

rado's ground and surface water rights, restructuring state water laws, and securing in-stream flow water rights.

Since retiring from the legislature in 1982, Senator Anderson stayed active on water issues and chaired the Loveland Water and Sewer Board. He received a Presidential appointment to the U.S. Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, where he served for six years. Additionally, he helped found the House of Neighborly Service and Project Self-Sufficiency, and was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Fred Anderson's family has resided in the Loveland area since his great-great-grandparents, indentured servants from Sweden, were married there in 1876. He grew up on a farm before serving with the U.S. Army in the Korean War. After the war, he returned to Colorado and married his wife of 57 years, Anne, and began a career raising cattle. He is also survived by four children, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Senator Fred Anderson. I rise today in remembrance of his dedication to his family and to the State of Colorado.

RECOGNIZING MR. HOSEA SPENCER FOR HIS HONORABLE SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY

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Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable veteran, Mr. Hosea Spencer, of Greenville, Mississippi.

Mr. Spencer attended Coleman Middle & High School, located in Greenville, Mississippi. He withdrew from school in the 11th grade to join the military, enlisting in the U.S. Air Force in 1954 and serving through 1957. Mr. Spencer received his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. After basic training, he became a part of the James Connally Air Force Base in Waco, Texas. He was stationed there for 2½ years, and held the title, Corporal, in the medical field.

In September of 1956, Mr. Spencer volunteered to go overseas. He was stationed in England, where he was an Air Policeman at the 388th Air Police Squadron, which was his last duty assignment and major command.

Mr. Spencer was awarded during his service time for being a Rifleman and a Sharpshooter. He also received a National Defense Service Medal.

Mr. Spencer learned a lot about life during his time in the service. Being in the U.S. Air Force taught him everything as a young man and gave him a chance to see the world. His only regret is that he did not make a career with the military.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Hosea Spencer for his time and dedication to serving our country.

LAWRENCE ATENCIO TRIBUTE

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of outgoing Pueblo, Colorado City Council Representative Lawrence Atencio. Mr. Atencio's last day representing Council District 2 was December 31, 2011.

A man of wide-ranging experience and talents, Lawrence Atencio served in the Armed Forces and worked in municipal government, academia, the arts, and in private business before his election to the council. He served two terms of office, beginning in 2007.

After graduating from East High School in 1965, Lawrence earned associate's and bachelor's degrees from Southern Colorado State College, and later a master's in public administration from the University of Northern Colorado. He served in the U.S. Army from 1970–1972, and then returned home to Pueblo and became a Health Inspector. Since 1984, he has owned and operated LA Distributing Company.

Mr. Atencio has also been an instructor of classical ballet since 1972, as well as director/choreographer for the Colorado State Fair Fiesta Committee Scholarship Pageant and an actor in community theatre and the film industry. Since 1991, he has taught Business, Macro Economics, Sociology, and Chicano Studies at the college level. Mr. Atencio is active in the Knights of Columbus and is a private pilot.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Councilman Lawrence Atencio. I rise today to thank him for his work on behalf of the citizens of Pueblo.

RECOGNIZING MR. ISAAC DANIEL SCOTT FOR HONORABLE SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY AND COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable veteran and lifelong resident of the Mississippi Delta, Mr. Isaac Daniel Scott.

Mr. Scott was drafted to serve in the United States Army while pursuing an education in Agriculture Business at Tennessee State University. Mr. Scott served during the Vietnam Conflict and was a member of the 1st Cavalry Air Mobile Unit. He earned the rank of Specialist and an Honorable Discharge after his tour of duty. Upon completion of his tour of duty, Mr. Scott returned to the Mississippi Delta to pursue farming with his father, Mr. Edward Scott.

Mr. Scott wanted to continue his contact with fellow veterans and became a member of

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